

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>26 May 59</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Burlington, N. Va.</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0047 EST</u> GMT <u>27/0447Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE <u>Civilian</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <u>Meteor</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>not given</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>1</u>	9. COURSE <u>ENE - 33W</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Unusually brilliant bright light seemed to be fragmenting into the tail as it fell behind a low range of mountains.		11. COMMENTS Witness rptd obj as a meteor, & in view of other info rptd, we see no reason to disagree.	

Gentlemen:

At 12:47 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time, Tuesday, May 26, 1959 as I was on U. S. Route 50 about two (2) miles West of Burlington, West Virginia, I saw what I presume was a large meteor. I am writing you because of its unusual brilliance and because it seemed to be fragmenting into the tail as it fell. First I was aware of bright light and looked out my window to the left just as it came into my field of vision. It was almost due South and fell slightly to the West of perpendicular. It disappeared behind a low range of mountains which are there. If it were a meteor, as I presume, it exceeded in size any I ever saw.

Yours,

Keyser, West Va.



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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location BURLINGTON, West Virginia.

Date 26 MAY 59 Hour (Z) 0447Z 0047 EOT.

WX NOT REPORTED

Description METEOR OF UNUSUAL BRILLIANCE

Direction of Motion NNE - SSW

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219)

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) REPORTED AS
A METEOR.

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1)

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc)

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc.

Other

Evaluation of Source Reliability UNKNOWN

Analysis and Conclusions: IT IS POLICY TO RECORD CASES
WHERE THERE IS ONLY ONE WITNESS AS
"INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE", HOWEVER THIS WITNESS
REPORTS THE OBJECT AS A METEOR; AND
IN VIEW OF THE OTHER INFORMATION REPORTED
WE SEE NO REASON TO DISAGREE. OBJECT
PROBABLY A METEOR